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FOLLOWING SENT ACTION TO SECSTATE OCT 9, 1973 FROM USUN NEW YORK  
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SUBJ: RUPTURE IN DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN ZAIRE AND ISRAEL

FOLLOWING IS ISRAELI MISSION PRESS RELEASE REGARDING  
DECISION BY ZAIRE TO BREAK DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH  
ISREAL:

"THE DECISION TAKEN BY THE PRES OF ZAIRE TO BREAK  
DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL WAS DESCRIBED BY  
MR. ABBA EBAN, MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF ISRAEL, AS  
A GROSS BETRAYAL OF INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP AND GOOD WILL.  
NEVER HAS ANY POLICY ON THE PART OF ISRAEL DONE ANY HARM TO  
ZAIRE, HE STATED, ON THE CONTRARY, ISRAEL HAS  
ALWAYS COOPERATED WITH ZAIRE AND HAS COME TO ITS HELP IN  
MOMENTS OF TRIAL AND DANGER. THIS WAS ACKNOWLEDGED BY PRES  
MOBUTU ONLY A FEW DAYS AGO WHEN THE OUTGOING ISRAELI AMBASSADOR  
TOOK LEAVE OF HIM. ON THAT OCCASION THE PRES PAID TRIBUTE TO  
THE ROLE PLAYED BY ISRAEL IN THE HISTORY OF INDEPENDENT  
ZAIRE AND URGED ISRAEL TO DISREGARD PRESS REPORTS ON A DE-  
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TERIORATION OF RELATIONS, MR. EBAN ADDED THAT THE ZAIREAN STEP

IS ONE WHICH WOULD FURTHER ENCOURAGE THE ARAB COUNTRIES IN  
THEIR PERSISTENT REFUSAL TO MAKE PEACE WITH ISRAEL. INSTEAD OF  
URGING THE PARTIES TO NEGOTIATE, PRES MOBUTU, BY HIS NEGATIVE  
ACTION, HAS DIMINISHED THE PROSPECT FOR PEACE."  
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